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RULES

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the objects of the Group

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THE SOCIETY OF CHEMICAL INDUSTRY

The Society of Chemical Industry is a Scientific Society existing to bring together all those concerned with the application of chemistry to industry. Its objects are primarily the publication of journals and monographs and the holding of meetings to discuss subjects of interest.

Membership of the Society of Chemical Industry involves no special qualifications and no entrance fee. The Society has about 7,500 full members. It publishes " Chemistry and Industry " weekly. This has the largest weekly circulation (7,300 in 1947) of any chemical journal in the world and is available post free to all members.

The Annual Subscription to the Society is £3 10s., due on 1st January. Particulars of membership and an application form can be obtained from The General Secretary, Society of Chemical Industry, 56 Victoria Street, S.W.1.

The attention of members is specially directed to the advantages enjoyed by those who pay a Joint Subscription under the scheme of co-operation sponsored by the Chemical Council, whereby Fellows of the Chemical Society who are also members of the Society of Chemical Industry may pay a combined reduced subscription; the scheme further provides for those who are also members (whether Associates or Fellows) of the Royal Institute of Chemistry, or of either the Faraday Society or the Society of Public Analysts and Other Analytical Chemists. Full particulars of the scheme may be had from the General Secretary of the S.C.I. or from the Secretary, Chemical Council, Conjoint Chemical Office, 9/10 Savile Row, W.1.

Subject Groups of the Society have been formed from time to time for the purpose of bringing together within the Society those having a common interest in certain subjects. There have thus come into existence the Chemical Engineering, Plastics, Food, Road and Building Materials, Agriculture, and Fine Chemicals Groups.

THE FOOD GROUP

The Food Group has the objects set forth below in its Rules. As a result of its vigorous growth since its formation in 1931, there were formed in 1937 sub-sections, the Microbiological Panel and the Nutrition Panel, of which the objects are also given below. Their aim is to provide opportunities for discussion of more

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specialised subjects than those with which the Group as a whole is generally concerned.

Membership of the Food Group and its Panels is open to any member of the S.C.I. Membership of either Panel is open to any member of the Food Group. Membership of Group or Panel involves no extra subscription and is secured by indicating to the General Secretary of the Society the wish to join. A new member of the Society is given the opportunity to state on his application form whether he wishes to join the Group and either or both of its Panels.

Administration of the Food Group and its Panels is by Committees formed in the manner laid down in the Rules below. The Group is internally autonomous under the general control of the Council, as are the Panels under the general control of the Group Committee. The funds of the Group and its Panels are provided by the Council.

The Chairmen and Hon. Secretaries of the Group and its Panels, with figures for membership, are set forth below—

FOOD GROUP

Year	*Chairman*	*Hon. Secretary*	*Membership*
1931-32	L. H. Lampitt	H. Raistrick	198
1932-33	L. H. Lampitt	H. Raistrick	294
1933-34	L. H. Lampitt	H. Raistrick	345
1934-35	L. H. Lampitt	H. Raistrick	376
1935-36	L. H. Lampitt	H. Raistrick	405
1936-37	Franklin Kidd	E. B. Anderson	452
1937-38	Franklin Kidd H. Raistrick	E. B. Anderson	539
1938-39	H. Raistrick	E. B. Anderson	721
1939-40	E. B. Anderson	J. W. Corran	753
1940-41	E. B. Anderson	J. W. Corran	763
1941-42	E. B. Anderson	J. W. Corran	794
1942-43	H. E. Cox	J. H. Bushill	789
1943-44	H. E. Cox	J. H. Bushill	836
1944-45	H. E. Cox	J. H. Bushill	910
1945-46	T. Rendle	J. H. Bushill	961
1946-47	T. Rendle	J. H. Bushill	1014
1947-48	E. B. Hughes	L. H. G. Barton	1037
1948-49	E. B. Hughes	L. H. G. Barton	1040
1949-50	A. L. Bacharach	L. H. G. Barton	1069

MICROBIOLOGICAL PANEL

Chairman		*Hon. Secretary*
1937-43—H. RAISTRICK	...	1937-42—J. H. BUSHILL
1943-46—B. T. P. BARKER	...	1942-49—H. J. BUNKER
1946-49—H. D. KAY		
1949- —H. J. BUNKER	...	1949- —L. A. ALLEN

Membership (1948) : 427.

NUTRITION PANEL

Chairman		*Hon. Secretary*
1937-44—J. C. DRUMMOND	...	1937-44—A. L. BACHARACH
1944-48—A. L. BACHARACH	...	1944-47—L. H. G. BARTON
1948- —MAGNUS PYKE	...	1947- —L. C. DUTTON

Membership (1948) : 320.

RULES OF THE FOOD GROUP

(ADOPTED 1932, AMENDED 1943 and 1948).

1. **Name.**—The name of the Group shall be the FOOD GROUP OF THE SOCIETY OF CHEMICAL INDUSTRY.

2. **Objects.**—The objects of the Group shall be to consider all scientific matters concerned with chemistry and bacteriology as applied to the technology of food and beverages for human and animal consumption, including culture and production of the raw materials, preparation, preservation, packing, presentation, distribution, control and analysis, plant, machinery, appliances and packing materials.

   It may carry out its objects by holding meetings of its members, alone or jointly with the local Sections of the Society or other bodies; by presenting for publication, in the Society's journals or otherwise, the reports, in full or abridged, of the proceedings of such meetings and by encouraging contributions of a similar character; by encouraging the publication by the Society of abstracts of literature dealing with the subject; by encouraging or assisting the preparation of indexes or other classification of literature for the convenience of members' reference; by arranging visits to works, research establishments, etc. calculated to be of benefit to members; and by other means, not conflicting with the objects and constitution of the Society, to advance the scientific aspects of food technology.

3. **Membership.**—Membership of the Food Group is open to all members of the Society of Chemical Industry. It is achieved automatically by any member who, at the time of his candidature for membership of the Society or subse-

quently, indicates to the General Secretary his wish to be a member of the Group. Membership of any Panels of the Group shall similarly follow automatically on application. If at any time a special entrance fee or extra subscription to the Group or Panel is imposed by the Group Committee, with the Council's approval, payment of such entrance fee or subscription shall be a condition of membership, and members in arrears with such subscription shall cease to be members after a period to be determined in each instance by the Group Committee. The word " Member " in Rule 4 and later is to be taken as meaning Member of the Food Group unless otherwise indicated.

4. **Calendar**.—The financial and administrative years of the Group shall be the same as those of the Society, namely, 1st January to 31st December and from one Annual General Meeting of the Society to the next, respectively.

5. **Panels**.—The Committee may, with the sanction of the Council, authorise from time to time the setting up of such Panels as particular specialist interest of members may make desirable. The business of any Panel shall be conducted according to appropriate rules, approved both by the members of the Panel in General Meeting and by the Committee of the Food Group. The Chairman and Hon. Secretary of each Panel shall be members of and appointed by the Committee of the Food Group. No Chairman of a Panel shall hold that office for more than three years in succession.

6. **Management**.—The business of the Group shall be conducted by a Committee consisting of the following, all of whom shall have full voting rights :

   (a) Honorary Officers, namely : Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Secretary.
   (b) General members, twelve in number.
   (c) Ex-officio members, namely, Hon. Recorder, Chairmen and Secretaries of all Panels.

   The Hon. Recorder shall be appointed annually by the Committee.

   At any meeting of the Committee, five full voting members including at least one Honorary Officer, shall constitute a quorum.

7. **Co-opted Members**.—The Committee may co-opt in any year up to three non-voting members, to serve for that year only. Co-opted members may not serve as such for more than two years in succession.

8. **Election of Officers.**—The Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer shall be elected by the Committee from among the members of the Group at a Committee Meeting closely preceding 31st March in each year, such officers assuming duty after the next Annual Meeting of the Society. No member may serve as Chairman or as Vice-Chairman for more than two years in succession. The holding of either office for the maximum time permitted, or election as a general member of the Committee, shall not affect the eligibility of any such member to serve in the other office for the maximum permitted time.

9. **Election of Committee.**—The names of the members of the Committee and of those who are to retire (as provided below) shall be notified not later than 31st March each year to all members of the Group, who shall on that notice be invited to nominate candidates to fill the vacancies. Each Nomination must be signed by two members of the Group, and it must also be declared in writing that the nominated candidate is willing to serve if elected. If the number of nominations be less than the number of vacancies, the Committee shall nominate the remaining requisite number. When the number of nominations is greater than the number of vacancies, a ballot shall be taken.

General members to retire in each year, and ineligible to serve as general members during the following year, shall be as follows :

(i.) Any member who has served as a general member of the Committee consecutively for the three preceding years.

(ii.) Any member who has attended no meeting of the Committee during the year.

(iii.) Any member who has attended only one meeting of the Committee during the year, unless he has applied for and been granted leave of absence for at least two other meetings by special resolution of the Committee.

10. **Conduct of Ballot.**—When a ballot is required, the Honorary Secretary shall cause to be sent to each member, not less than fourteen days before the Annual General Meeting, a list containing all nominations for Committee together with a voting slip and a covering envelope to contain the slip. This envelope, sealed and bearing the signature of the member, must reach the Honorary Secretary before the opening of the Annual General Meeting. Two Scrutineers

(who may not be members of, or candidates for election to, the Committee) shall be appointed by the Committee and shall report to the Annual General Meeting on the result of any ballot held to elect general members of the Committee.

Officers and general members elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Group shall take office at the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting of the Society.

11. **Casual Vacancies on Committee**.—The Committee may fill by co-option vacancies occurring between any two Annual General Meetings. Members so co-opted shall hold office until the next Annual General Meeting when they may be nominated for election, from which election the time of their service on the Committee shall be counted.

12. **Meetings**.—The meetings of the Group shall be of three kinds :

(a) General Meetings (including the Annual General Meeting) for the conduct of business, at which only members of the Group may vote.

(b) Scientific Meetings, to be held under the auspices of the Group or jointly with other Groups or Sections of the Society, or jointly with other Scientific or Professional Societies, or Sections or Groups thereof, to hear such addresses, lectures, scientific papers or other communications, to see such demonstrations, films or exhibitions or to transact such other business as may, in the Committee's view, help to forward the Group's and the Society's objects.

(c) Such social meetings and of such kinds as may, in the Committee's view, help to forward friendly relations between members of the Group and of the Society and thereby also the general objects of both.

13. **Publication**.—The Committee shall take whatever steps seem most appropriate to bring to the notice of those taking part in the Group's Scientific Meetings that they must afford to the Council of the Society such facilities as will enable the Council, if it so wishes, to give their communications first publication in one of the Society's Journals.

14. **General Meetings**.—The Committee may at any time call, and must do so on receipt of a written request signed by forty or more members of the Group, a General Meeting to dis-

cuss any matter of business within the scope of the Group. For such a meeting all members of the Group must receive not less than fourteen days before the meeting an Agenda paper specifying the business to be transacted and giving the exact form of any resolution to be proposed (other than those of a formal nature). Save as provided below under Rule 16, decisions at a General Meeting shall be decided by show of hands or ballot if so decided and shall be determined by a majority of those voting and entitled to vote. No proxies shall be allowed. A quorum shall consist of 25 members.

15. Annual General Meeting.—The Annual General Meeting, which shall be held before the Annual General Meeting of the Society in any year, and not later than 15th July, shall be conducted in accordance with Rule 14 above, and shall have before it for adoption or otherwise :

(a) The Report of the Committee of the work of the preceding year, including a financial statement and balance sheet, duly audited.

(b) The appointment of two Honorary Auditors.

And the Annual General Meeting shall receive, after transacting the Group's business, an address from the Chairman, or such other suitable person as the Committee may determine, on a subject germane to the interest of the members.

The Annual General Meeting shall also receive the Report of the Scrutineers, see Rule 10.

16. Rules.—The Rules of the Group can only be altered by a majority of those voting at a General Meeting called to consider the alterations in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 14. Any alteration in Rules duly passed at a General Meeting shall not come into effect until it has received the sanction of the Council.

17. Expenditure.—At each Annual General Meeting the Annual Report of the Committee shall include a general account of the Group's income and expenditure, duly audited by the Honorary Auditors appointed at the preceding Annual General Meeting. Further, within one month of the end of the financial year, the Hon. Treasurer shall render to the Hon. Treasurer of the Society a full statement of income and expenditure for that year. The expenses of the Group will be met by periodical grants from the Council and from such other sources as the Committee, with the Council's sanction, may from time to time determine.

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